

spin control, lies, and ultimately perjury. His opponents decried his actions as a wild fishing excursion bent on criticizing the President. However, he obtained 14 convictions on guilty pleas.

At the end, his work ultimately led to the impeachment of a sitting U.S. President for only the second time in this Nation's history. His tireless and relentless efforts brought in the Supreme Court, forcing them to answer constitutional questions never before considered but important to the ultimate protection of our constitution. He may look like Clark Kent but behind that mild-mannered persona is a modern day man of steel, fighting for truth, justice and the American way.

HOPES FOR SUBWAY SERIES STILL ALIVE

(Mr. MEEKS of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MEEKS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise this morning to give my deepest condolences to my good friends and colleagues from the State of Massachusetts. Last night, the New York Yankees did in the Boston Red Sox. We apologize for not doing it in four, but we did it in five to get you out of your misery.

And to my good friends in Atlanta, we know that you do not want to return to New York, so the Mets will make sure of that, for you gotta believe, the Mets in seven. The World Series, my dear friends, will be in New York, either in Queens or the Bronx. See you all next weekend.

STOP THE RAID ON SOCIAL SECURITY

(Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WATTS of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, the White House spin this morning has spun out of control again. A Washington newspaper reported today that the Congressional Budget Office says GOP spending measures have already dipped into the Social Security surplus.

Mr. Speaker, I hold in my hand actual proof that that is not true. In a letter to the Speaker dated September 30, the director of the CBO reported that currently proposed spending measures will not use any of the projected Social Security surplus in fiscal year 2000. Let me say that again, will not use a projected Social Security surplus.

Republicans in Congress have painstakingly worked to craft spending measures that do not spend the Social Security surplus, thereby stopping the 40-year raid on the Social Security trust fund.

Mr. Speaker, let us be honest with the American people even if our newspapers cannot be. Current GOP spending measures do not dip into the Social Security surplus and we are committed to not dipping into the Social Security

surplus. Social Security is the people's retirement fund, not the President's personal slush fund. Stop the raid on Social Security.

URGING PRESIDENT TO SIGN DEFENSE SPENDING BILL

(Mr. ARMEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, after vetoing the foreign aid bill because the President thought it was too little spending, the President now is threatening to veto the defense spending bill because he believes it is too much spending.

Mr. Speaker, this is the same bill that will correct the Clinton-Gore neglect of our military that has stretched our forces thin in the past 8 years. Since the end of the Gulf War, our military has shrunk by 40 percent. At the height of the Reagan administration, the Navy had 586 ships. Today, it has 324. Since 1987, active duty personnel have been cut by more than 800,000 people.

Mr. Speaker, the defense spending bill we sent the President will fix these problems and it will do more. Our bill would give our troops a long overdue pay raise. It will also give our troops modern weapons and a better standard of living.

I urge the President not to play politics with our military pay raise. I urge the President not to play politics with the quality of life of our troops. The American people overwhelmingly support our defense spending bill. In fact, this bill got more than 370 votes in the House of Representatives.

Mr. Speaker, our service men and women deserve more than politics. They deserve President Clinton's signature on our defense spending bill.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. BROWN of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 337, nays 56, answered "present" 1, not voting 39, as follows:

[Roll No. 509]

YEAS—337

Abercrombie	Forbes	Matsui
Ackerman	Fossella	McCarthy (MO)
Allen	Fowler	McCarthy (NY)
Andrews	Frank (MA)	McCollum
Archer	Franks (NJ)	McCrery
Armey	Frelinghuysen	McGovern
Bachus	Gallegly	McHugh
Baker	Ganske	McInnis
Baldacci	Gejdenson	McIntyre
Baldwin	Gekas	McKeon
Ballenger	Gibbons	McKinney
Barcia	Gilchrest	Meehan
Barr	Gilman	Meek (FL)
Barrett (NE)	Gonzalez	Meeks (NY)
Barrett (WI)	Goode	Metcalf
Bartlett	Goodlatte	Mica
Barton	Goodling	Millender-
Bass	Gordon	McDonald
Bateman	Goss	Miller (FL)
Becerra	Graham	Miller, Gary
Bentsen	Granger	Minge
Bereuter	Green (WI)	Mink
Berkley	Greenwood	Moakley
Berman	Hall (OH)	Mollohan
Berry	Hall (TX)	Moore
Biggert	Hansen	Moran (VA)
Bilirakis	Hastings (FL)	Morella
Bishop	Hastings (WA)	Murtha
Blagojevich	Hayes	Myrick
Bliley	Hayworth	Nadler
Blumenauer	Herger	Napolitano
Blunt	Hill (IN)	Neal
Boehlert	Hill (MT)	Nethercutt
Boehner	Hinchey	Ney
Bonilla	Hinojosa	Northup
Bono	Hobson	Nussle
Boswell	Hoeffel	Obey
Boucher	Hoekstra	Olver
Boyd	Holden	Ortiz
Brady (TX)	Holt	Ose
Brown (FL)	Hooley	Owens
Bryant	Horn	Oxley
Burr	Hostettler	Packard
Callahan	Houghton	Pascarell
Calvert	Hoyer	Paul
Campbell	Hulshof	Payne
Canady	Hunter	Pease
Cannon	Hutchinson	Pelosi
Capps	Hyde	Peterson (PA)
Capuano	Inslee	Petri
Cardin	Isakson	Pickering
Carson	Istook	Pitts
Castle	Jackson (IL)	Pombo
Chabot	Jenkins	Portman
Chambliss	John	Price (NC)
Chenoweth-Hage	Johnson, E. B.	Quinn
Coble	Jones (NC)	Radanovich
Collins	Jones (OH)	Rahall
Combest	Kanjorski	Regula
Condit	Kaptur	Reyes
Conyers	Kasich	Reynolds
Cook	Kelly	Riley
Cooksey	Kennedy	Rivers
Coyne	Kildee	Rodriguez
Cramer	Kilpatrick	Roemer
Cunningham	Kind (WI)	Rogan
Danner	King (NY)	Rogers
Davis (FL)	Kingston	Rohrabacher
Davis (IL)	Klecza	Rothman
Davis (VA)	Knollenberg	Roukema
Deal	Kolbe	Roybal-Allard
DeGette	Kuykendall	Royce
Delahunt	LaFalce	Ryan (WI)
DeMint	LaHood	Ryun (KS)
Deutsch	Lantos	Salmon
Diaz-Balart	Largent	Sanchez
Dicks	Larson	Sanders
Dingell	Latham	Sandlin
Doggett	LaTourette	Sawyer
Dooley	Lazio	Saxton
Doolittle	Leach	Schakowsky
Doyle	Lee	Scott
Dreier	Levin	Sensenbrenner
Duncan	Lewis (CA)	Serrano
Dunn	Lewis (KY)	Shadegg
Edwards	Linder	Shaw
Ehlers	Lofgren	Shays
Ehrlich	Lowey	Sherman
Emerson	Lucas (KY)	Sherwood
Eshoo	Lucas (OK)	Shimkus
Etheridge	Luther	Shows
Everett	Maloney (CT)	Shuster
Ewing	Maloney (NY)	Simpson
Farr	Manzullo	Sisisky
Fletcher	Markey	Skeen
Foley	Mascara	Skelton